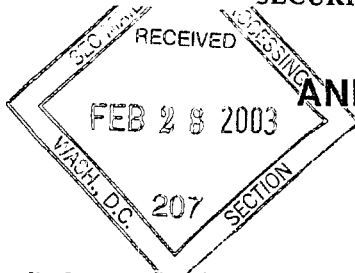




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Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 ThereunderREPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/02 AND ENDING 12/31/02
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A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Harpeth Securities, LLC

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

Dover Center 113 Seaboard Lane, Suite B-200

(No. and Street)

Franklin

Tennessee

37067-8282

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

C. Turney Stevens, Jr.

615-963-3864

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Frasier, Dean & Howard, PLLC

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

3310 West End Avenue, Suite 550

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37203

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(City)

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CHECK ONE:

- ☒ Certified Public Accountant
☐ Public Accountant
☐ Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, C. Turney Stevens, Jr., swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Harpeth Securities, LLC, as of December 31, 2002, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

None

Charles Turney Stevens, Jr.
Signature
Executive Representative
Title

2-27-03
Diane Turner
Notary Public 8-30-03

This report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):

- ☒ (a) Facing Page.
- ☒ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- ☒ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- ☒ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- ☒ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
- ☒ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- ☒ (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- ☒ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ☒ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- ☒ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-3 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ☒ (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- ☒ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ☒ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ☒ (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

**For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2002 and 2001

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Member
Harpeth Securities, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Harpeth Securities, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the related statements of operations, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the years then ended that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Harpeth Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2002 and 2001 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedule I is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by rule 17a-5 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Frasier, Dean & Howard, PLLC

Nashville, Tennessee
February 14, 2003

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
December 31, 2002 and 2001

Assets

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 14,066</u>	<u>\$ 8,466</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 14,066</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,466</u></u>

Member's Equity

Member's equity	<u>\$ 14,066</u>	<u>\$ 8,466</u>
Total member's equity	<u><u>\$ 14,066</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,466</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
For the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Revenues:		
Commission income	\$ 700,000	\$ -
Consulting income	145,298	-
Interest	<u>72</u>	<u>382</u>
Total revenues	<u>845,370</u>	<u>382</u>
Expenses:		
Management fees	691,000	-
Consulting expense	143,098	-
Regulatory fees	8,031	2,144
Legal and professional	1,500	1,910
Other	479	346
Insurance	362	315
Taxes	<u>300</u>	<u>20</u>
Total expenses	<u>844,770</u>	<u>4,735</u>
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 600</u>	<u>\$ (4,353)</u>

See accompanying notes.

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY
For the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001

	<u>Member Contributions</u>	<u>Accumulated Deficit</u>	<u>Total Member's Equity</u>
Balances at December 31, 2000	\$ 16,587	\$ (3,768)	\$ 12,819
Contributions	-	-	-
Net loss	-	(4,353)	(4,353)
Balances at December 31, 2001	<u>\$ 16,587</u>	<u>\$ (8,121)</u>	<u>\$ 8,466</u>
Contributions	5,000	-	5,000
Net income	-	600	600
Balances at December 31, 2002	<u>\$ 21,587</u>	<u>\$ (7,521)</u>	<u>\$ 14,066</u>

See accompanying notes.

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
For the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$ 600	\$ (4,353)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>600</u>	<u>(4,353)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Member contributions	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	5,600	(4,353)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>8,466</u>	<u>12,819</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u><u>14,066</u></u>	<u><u>8,466</u></u>
Supplemental disclosure:		
Income taxes paid	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Interest paid	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See accompanying notes.

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2002 and 2001

NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

Harpeth Securities, LLC (the “Company”) was formed effective June 28, 2000 to operate as a broker-dealer on an introducing firm basis in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth by the National Association of Securities Dealers. It operates as a Tennessee limited liability company (LLC), and its sole member is Harpeth Capital, LLC.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all short-term, highly liquid investments with an original maturity date of three months or less when purchased to be cash and cash equivalents.

Income taxes

The Company is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes and does not incur federal income taxes. Instead, its earnings and losses are included in the personal returns of the members and taxed depending on their personal tax situations. Accordingly, the financial statements do not reflect a provision for federal income taxes. The Company is subject to certain state franchise and excise taxes.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 – LIABILITIES SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF GENERAL CREDITORS

The Company has no borrowings under subordination agreements at December 31, 2002 and 2001.

NOTE 4 – COMMISSION INCOME

During 2002 and 2001, the Company received warrants to purchase shares in various start-up companies. Due to the lack of operating data and start-up nature of these ventures, the Company has not recorded an asset or commission income relating to these transactions. Certain warrants received in 2001 were exercised by the member of the Company at amounts insignificant to the accompanying financial statements.

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2002 and 2001

NOTE 5 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

The Company paid management fees of \$691,000 to its sole member during 2002.

Harpeth Capital, LLC provides personnel, office facilities and equipment to the Company at no charge under an expense agreement extending for a term of three years and ending in December 2003. The agreement is renewable automatically every three years at the discretion of Harpeth Capital, LLC.

During 2002, the Company established an access policy whereby certain transactions of Harpeth Capital Atlanta, LLC, an affiliate of the Company's member, are conducted through the Company. The Company generally retains a fee of 2% in addition to reimbursement of direct expenses. As a result of this arrangement, the Company recognized consulting income of \$145,298 and consulting expense of \$143,098 during 2002.

NOTE 6 – NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2002 and 2001, the Company had net capital of \$14,066 and \$8,466, respectively, which was \$9,066 and \$3,466 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

HARPETH SECURITIES, LLC
COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1
OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
December 31, 2002 and 2001

Schedule I

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Computation of basic net capital requirement:		
Net worth per financial statement	\$ 14,066	\$ 8,466
Total nonallowable assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net capital, agrees with amount reported in Part II of Form X-17a-5 unaudited FOCUS report	<u>\$ 14,066</u>	<u>\$ 8,466</u>
Minimum net capital requirement	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
Greater of above amounts	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
Excess net capital	<u>\$ 9,066</u>	<u>\$ 3,466</u>
Excess net capital at 1000%	<u>\$ 14,066</u>	<u>\$ 8,466</u>



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE
REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5**

To the Member
Harpeth Securities, LLC

In planning and performing our audits of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Harpeth Securities, LLC (the "Company") for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons
2. Recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13
3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2002 and 2001, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the members, management, the SEC and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Frasier, Dean & Howard, PLLC

Nashville, Tennessee
February 14, 2003